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4. (Twice Amended) A toroidal-type continuously variable transmission component comprising:

a rolling member made of steel and having a layer formed at 0.5 mm or less from the surface thereof,

wherein the layer does not contain a non-metallic inclusion having the maximum diameter of 0.1 mm or more,

wherein the size of non-metallic inclusions in said layer is measured in said continuously variable transmission component.

7. (Amended) A method for evaluating a toroidal-type continuously variable transmission component having the steel rolling member according to claim 4, said method comprising:

disposing a desired surface of said rolling member to be measured and an ultrasonic detection probe within an ultrasonic wave transmissive medium;

transmitting an ultrasonic wave, having a frequency in the range of 5 MHz - 30 MHz, from said ultrasonic detection probe to said rolling member through said ultrasonic wave transmissive medium;

detecting and evaluating a non-metallic inclusion existing in the area of 0.5 mm or less from said desired surface of said rolling member in accordance with an ultrasonic echo reflected by said rolling member, and

disqualifying said rolling member when the thus detected non-metallic inclusion has the maximum diameter of 0.1 mm or more.

13. (Amended) The toroidal-type continuously variable transmission component according to claim 1, further comprising a non-metallic inclusion disposed within said layer, wherein said non-metallic inclusion has a maximum diameter of between 0.01 mm and 0.115 mm.

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14. (Amended) The toroidal-type continuously variable transmission component according to claim 4, further comprising a non-metallic inclusion disposed within said layer, wherein said non-metallic inclusion has a maximum diameter of between 0.01 mm and 0.1 mm.